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AMENDMENT

In response to the office action mailed October 9, 2001, please amend the above-identified patent application as outlined below. Attached to this response is a version showing the changes made titled "Version With Markings To Show Changes Made."

In the above referenced office action, the Examiner required a restriction of the invention and an election of species under 35 U.S.C. 121. Applicants elect Claims 1 and 3-12, drawn to an apparatus, to be examined. In addition, Applicants elect the support structure species of a metal wire (consistent with the present amendment) and elect the sample collection substrate species of organic aerogels.